Mountain Weather Forecast

North Grampian

Including North and West Cairngorms National Park, Monadhliath, Ben Alder, Creag Meagaidh, Loch Ericht and Loch Rannoch
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Thursday 04 Jan 2024 until 23:59 on Friday 05 Jan 2024

Forecast Issued on Wednesday 03 Jan 2024 at 15:51 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for unsettled and showery conditions until Saturday then for drier settled but colder conditions from Sunday.

Headline for Thursday 04 Jan 2024: Mostly dry but cloudy with sunny spells.

Mountain weather hazards on Thursday 04 Jan 2024

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales No Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** Medium Likelihood	**Poor visibility** Low Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** No Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Light rain showers (night)	Light rain showers (night)	Partly cloudy (night)	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Light rain showers	Partly cloudy (night)
Precipitation probability							
40%	30%	10%	10%	20%	10%	30%	20%

Forecast for Thursday 04 Jan 2024

Weather: Cloudy with a few showers, becoming drier towards the morning. The day will be cloudy with sunny spells and mostly dry, a few showers are possible in the Creag Meagaidh and Ben Alder area towards the evening. Any showers will fall as snow above 800m.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 30%

Low cloud and visibility: Broken cloudy with base 400-600m will linger throughout the day with the visibility good out with cloud, falling moderate in any showers, poor in snow.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	21/26 SE	20/26 S	18/23 S	17/23 S	17/23 S	17/22 S	14/19 S	12/16 S	11/14 S
900	22/28 SE	21/26 S	19/23 S	17/21 S	16/21 S	15/20 S	13/16 S	11/15 S	10/13 S
600	18/25 S	15/20 S	12/17 S	10/15 S	8/12 S	8/12 S	8/11 SE	7/10 S	5/7 S
300	4/13 SE	6/15 S	3/8 SW	4/9 S	3/10 SW	3/9 SW	4/9 SW	4/8 S	4/9 SW
Glen	3/10 S	3/13 S	4/14 S	4/13 S	5/15 S	4/13 S	4/12 S	4/11 S	3/10 S

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	-4/-11	-3/-11	-3/-10	-3/-10	-3/-10	-3/-10	-3/-9	-3/-9	-4/-9
900	1/-6	1/-5	1/-5	1/-5	1/-5	1/-5	0/-5	0/-5	-0/-5
600	3/-2	3/-1	3/-1	3/-1	3/-0	3/-0	2/-1	2/-1	2/-1
300	3/1	3/0	2/0	2/0	3/2	3/1	2/0	2/-0	1/-1
Glen	3/2	3/1	3/1	2/1	4/2	4/2	3/1	2/0	2/-0
Freezing Level*	800m	900m	900m	900m	900m	900m	900m	900m	900m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
The day will stay mostly dry but will feel cold in the fresh wind.

Forecast for Friday 05 Jan 2024
Weather: Another cloudy and mainly dry day with bright spells. A few showers will drift in from the west from late evening.

Maximum wind: Southwest 15-20mph gust 30mph

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 40%

Low cloud and visibility: Broken cloud 400-600m throughout the day with visibility falling poor in cloud and any showers.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 3 Celsius rising plus 6 Celsius
At 800m: Plus 1 Celsius
Freezing level: 900m

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